

Response to FEC Letter dated July 13, 2006

FEC ID# C00279851

Reference: 12 Day Pre-Primary Report (4/06/06-5/17/06)

The Friends of Bennie Thompson's Candidate Committee procedures for complying with the FEC "Best Efforts" law follows:

All original fundraising solicitations (invitations, flyers, RSVP cards) include a clear and conspicuous request for contributor information using the following statement:

"Federal law requires political committees to report the name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer for each individual whose contribution aggregate in excess of \$200.00 in a calendar year."

Additionally, space is provided to record each item requested, i.e., name, address, occupation, employer.

If the information is not provided at the time the contribution is made a written request is made by the committee to the contributor no later than 30 days after receipt of the contribution.

The written request clearly ask for the missing information, informing the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information. "We need additional information from you. The Federal Election Commission (FEC) require that we disclose the occupation and name of employer for each individual whose contribution aggregate in excess of \$200.00 in a calendar year." A space is provided to list the requested information. A stamped pre-addressed return envelope is included in the letter of request to the contributor.

If information is received after the contribution has been reported the Friends of Bennie Thompson Candidate Committee files an amendment to the FEC report originally disclosing the contribution.

Schedule B

Everything over \$200.00 per vendor is itemized.

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